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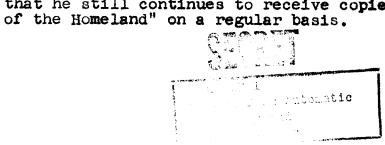
New York, New York January 20, 1965 (20 Jan. 65)

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During the early part of 1963, NY T-1, another government agency, which conducts security type investigations, advised that Heinrichs W. Bagatais, the former Chairman in 1957 of "Daugavas Vanagi" (Latvian Veteran Organization), New York, New York, was suspected of Russian intelligence service involvement by an official German source.

On November 30, 1964, NY T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that recently, the subject had a conversation with another Latvian emigre in the New York area. This conversation was in regard to the Latvian language newspaper "Dzimtenes Balss" (Voice of the Homeland), which paper is published by the Committee for a Return to the Homeland and Development of Cultural Relations with Compatriots Abroad. This newspaper is published in Riga, Latvia, and forwarded by mail to Latvians residing outside of Soviet Latvia. Informant stated that during recent months, most of the Latvians in the New York area have not been receiving copies of the "Voice of the Homeland". It was believed by the informant that the United States Postal authorities may have ceased forwarding this paper, since its contents consist of Soviet Latvian propaganda.

The subject indicated during this conversation that he still continues to receive copies of the "Voice of the Homeland" on a regular basis.



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According to NY T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, the Soviet Committee on Cultural Relations with Compatriots Abroad is a Soviet propaganda organization founded in East Berlin, Germany, in 1955. Since that time, this organization has been headed by various Soviet officials. The committee publishes a magazine entitled "Homeland" and a newspaper, "Voice of the Homeland" in the Russian, Byelorussian, Latvian, Estonian, Ukrahian, Georgian and other related languages. Such publications, which are mailed to numerous persons having a family origin in countries now under Soviet domination, attempt to entice such individuals to return to their homeland, to praise accomplishments of the current government of their individual countries of originand to attack and vilify generally, the activities, leaders and mores of countries in the free world.

NY T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 8/1965, that he had seen the subject in the home of Janis Greenplats, 215 West 91st Street, on New Year's Eve, December 31, 1964.

NY T-3 Stated that Greenplats is a writer for the Latvian language newspaper "Laiks", which is published in Brooklyn, New York

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Informant noted that the subject drinks alcoholic beverages in excess and is reticent about engaging in conversation with other persons. During the course of a conversation with the subject, Bagatais indicated that many of the Latvians in the New York area do not think that he is any good because he does not belong to a Latvian fraternity. He stated, nevertheless, that he knows that Latvians will listen to what he has to say because he had been an officer in the Latvian Legion during World War II and he knows that this factor carries much influence among Latvians in the New York area.

Subject indicated to the informant that the world power today is Russia. He commented that a former rounte of his in New York City, one Serge Jaroff, a Ukrainian choirmaster who travels with the Don Cosseck Choir, is presently on tour in Japan. He indicated that Jaroff maintained contact with him during his travels and has furnished him much information concerning political activities in other countries. Informant advised apparently subject has derived his ideas concerning Russia being a world power today from information he has received from Jaroff during his world travels.

Subject indicated to the informant that he may visit Latvia sometime during the year of 1965. He did not indicate to the informant whether he would travel alone or as a member of a tour group.

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